

20 JUN 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: OMB Bulletin 78-10 dated 23 March 1978

1. In response to the referenced OMB bulletin, I proposed to advise the Director of the Office of Data Processing (ODP) and each of the Agency's functional deputy directors that their support for the Federal Software Exchange Program had been solicited. In discussing this matter further with ODP, however, I found that this same information had already been provided by them (see ODP memorandum dated 23 March 1978, attached).

2. Given that ODP had already provided information on the Federal Software Exchange Program to working level personnel within the Agency, I chose not to forward my originally proposed memoranda.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration
Deputy Director, National Foreign Assessment Center
Deputy Director for Operations
Deputy Director for Science and Technology
Administrative Officer, DCI Area

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James H. Taylor
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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503



March 23, 1978

BULLETIN NO. 78-10

TO THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ESTABLISHMENTS

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ODP 3493

23 March 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Applications
Deputy Director for Processing
Chief, Special Projects Staff
ODP Division/Staff Chiefs
ADP Control Officers

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FROM :
Chief, Management Staff, ODP

SUBJECT : Federal Software Exchange Program

1. Paragraph 5 of this memorandum requests you submit to me Federal Information Processing Standard Software Summaries, Standard Form 185, for common-use computer programs and systems.

2. GSA created a Federal Software Exchange Program (FSEP) in 1976 to promote the sharing of computer programs and documentation. This was within their mission under the Brooks Act (Public Law 89-306) to provide effective and efficient utilization of ADP resources. Mr. Frank J. Carr, Commissioner, General Services Administration (GSA), pointed out in a recent letter to the Deputy Director for Administration, that contributions by government agencies have been minimal and the Commissioner solicited the DDA's support in stimulating participation in the program. The DDA, in his reply to the Commissioner, indicated that he could see possible benefits from CIA participation in the FSEP and that he had appointed me as the Agency representative for liaison with GSA on matters pertaining to the Software Exchange Program.

3. In a memorandum to the Deputy Director for Administration, the Director of Data Processing stated he believed the Agency should participate more actively in the GSA FSEP and that he planned to submit abstracts of current ODP computer programs to the Federal Software Exchange Center (FSEC) on a phased basis in small increments. Subsequently, software code and documentation would be forwarded when requested by FSEC personnel. The D/ODP also stated that to minimize the impact of this additional workload on ODP personnel, he would have the abstracts prepared by one ODP division at a time and that I would monitor this activity in my role as Agency representative for FSEP. After all ODP divisions have contributed, D/ODP plans to solicit the aid of the DDA to extend the program throughout the Agency.

4. Federal Property Management Regulation (FPMR), Amendment E-180, February 1976, Subpart 101-32.16 provides policy and procedures describing the Federal Software Exchange Program and is provided for your information as Attachment A to this memorandum. Note: paragraph 101-32.1607, Agency Actions, states, that unless we receive a FSNC request for a program, our actions are limited to keeping the SF 185 summary up-to-date in the FSEC catalog. Copies of the Federal Software Exchange Catalog of common-use programs and systems mentioned in paragraphs 101-32.1608 and 101-32.1611 of FPMR are available in the office of the ODP Management Staff, Room 2D00, Headquarters or Deputy Director for Applications, Room 2D42, [redacted] Building. Standard Form (SF) 185 mentioned in paragraph 101-32.1607 are available in the offices of either C/MS, DD/A. or DD/P.

5. It is requested that your initial abstracts of common-use programs or systems be submitted to me on Standard Form 185 before the date listed below. Updates should be submitted to me whenever applicable. I will, in turn, forward copies of the forms to the FSEC.

Schedule for Submission of Initial SF 185
to CIA Representative for FSEC

B Division	15 May 1978
C Division	15 June 1978
D Division	15 June 1978
A Division	15 August 1978
Operations Division	15 September 1978
Training Staff	15 October 1978
Production Division	15 November 1978
Engineering Division	15 December 1978
Systems Programming Division	15 January 1979
Management Staff & Special Projects Staff	15 February 1979

6. When programs and documentation are needed, FSEC personnel may send the request to me or the technical contact indicated in section 12 of SF 185. If a request is sent directly to the technical contact, please inform me of the receipt of such a request and also inform me when material has been sent to FSEC.

[redacted]
CIA Representative
for FSEC

Att: a/s

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O/D/ODP [redacted] 23 March 1978

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Subpart 101-32.15--Federal Software Exchange Program

§ 101-32.1600--Scope of subpart.

This subpart provides policy and procedures describing the Federal Software Exchange Program, the reporting of common-use ADP software to the Federal Software Exchange Center (FSEC), and subsequent use of this information for Government-wide sharing. The Software Exchange Program will gather only computer programs and logically related sets of computer programs. No data files or data bases will be included. No private or personal data will constitute any portion of the computer programs to be reported and exchanged by FSEC. This program, administered by the General Services Administration (GSA), is established to promote the sharing of computer programs and for other related documentation. While the resources and aid of FSEC/GSA will be extended to users in obtaining information concerning technical problems with software released through FSEC, the ultimate responsibility for successful implementation of all programs rests with the user.

§ 101-32.1601--Applicability.

The provisions of this subpart are applicable to all Federal agencies (as defined in § 101-32.201(a)) having ADP facilities, resources, or requirements. This subpart is applicable to common-use software developed or revised by either Government or contractor personnel. This subpart is not applicable to software that is classified, proprietary, or developed with revolving funds where reimbursement of all costs is required, such as the ADP Fund. Nor is it applicable to software to which the Government does not possess the full rights of ownership.

§ 101-32.1602--Definitions.

Terms used in this subpart are defined as follows:

(a) "Software" means all programs and routines used to extend the capabilities of computers, as distinct from "hardware" and "firmware." Software includes independent subroutines, related groups of routines, single programs, and sets or systems of programs.

(b) "Common-use software" means that portion of software which deals with problems common to many agencies, that would be useful to other agencies,

and is written in such a way that minor variations in requirements can be accommodated without significant programming effort. Examples of such software are: management business applications, computer systems support and utility programs, simulators, scientific or engineering applications, programming aids which are application-independent, and bibliographic or textual programs.

(c) "Computer program" means an identifiable series of instructions or statements, in a form acceptable to a computer, prepared to achieve a certain result.

(d) "Automated data system" means a set of logically related computer programs designed to accomplish specific objectives or functions.

(e) "Software summary" means a condensed description or abstract of a computer program or automated data system.

(f) "Federal Software Exchange Center (FSEC)" means an organization established pursuant to the authority of the Administrator of General Services for the collection, announcement, bibliographic control, and dissemination of common-use software among Federal agencies.

(g) "Federal Software Exchange Catalog" means a reference publication, maintained by FSEC, which summarizes information about Government-owned common-use software produced by and for Federal agencies.

§ 101-32.1603--Common-use software.

For the purpose of this subpart, common-use software is that which:

(a) Satisfies the definition of § 101-32.1602(b).

(b) Has been tested and proven operational for at least 90 days and is maintained by or for a Federal agency.

(c) Is composed of stand-alone subroutines, programs, or subsystems; i.e., not dependent on special or unique hardware options or software features unless such options or features can be readily translated or simulated for hardware other than the original and can be similarly useful on different hardware.

(d) Was developed by Government personnel or through contract or grant with Government funding. If it was developed under contract or grant, all rights of ownership to the software must be vested in the Government.

§ 101-32.1601 Program operation and policy guidance.

The Federal Software Exchange Program is operated by GSA or its authorized representative pursuant to the overall policy guidance and direction of GSA. The regional Agency Services Coordination Divisions of ADIS will handle direct operational contact with agencies as outlined in § 101-32.1602.

§ 101-32.1605 Program objectives.

The objectives of the Software Exchange Program are to provide for the:

- (a) Collection of common-use software information.
- (b) Development and maintenance of a listing of common-use software to minimize the redevelopment of programs already tested and in use elsewhere.
- (c) Publication and distribution of a software exchange catalog containing abstracts of common-use software.
- (d) Dissemination of common-use software and/or documentation.
- (e) Reduction of overall costs, time, and use of personnel resources for software acquisition and/or development.

§ 101-32.1606 Services performed by the Federal Software Exchange Center (FSEC).

The functions of FSEC include:

- (a) Maintaining a central library of summary descriptions of common-use programs and systems, including a complete index of this inventory and master copies of requested programs, systems, and documentation.
- (b) Editing, screening, and compiling agency abstracts of common-use programs or systems submitted for exchange by Federal agencies.
- (c) Functioning as a central point of contact with agencies for information and dissemination of available software.
- (d) Publishing and distributing the basic Federal Software Exchange Catalog with periodic updates.
- (e) Assisting Federal agencies in identifying currently available software to satisfy their requirements.
- (f) Assisting agencies in obtaining information concerning technical problems with software released through FSEC.
- (g) Notifying agencies of changes to software obtained through FSEC.

§ 101-32.1607 Agency actions.

All Federal agencies are required to:

(a) Continually review software within the agency to identify programs or systems which would be of use to other agencies meeting the criteria set forth in § 101-32.1603.

(b) Submit abstracts of programs meeting the criteria in § 101-32.1603 to FSEC, National Technical Information Service, Springfield, VA 22151, on Standard Form (SF) 185, Federal Information Processing Standard Software Summary. Common-use programs and systems meeting the specified criteria will be described and reported to FSEC on a continuing basis. In addition to the instructions on SF 185, the GSA publication, ADP Management Information Systems, ADP MIS Reporting Procedures, Appendices A, D, and E, shall be used for information concerning organization codes, computer manufacturers, and models.

(c) Notify FSEC, using SF 185, of changes to software previously reported. Such changes should have been adequately tested to ensure the effective performance of the software.

(d) Notify FSEC, using SF 185, of previously reported programs that the agency no longer maintains. (Reports shall be made within 30 days terminating maintenance.)

(e) Make a one-time submission, within 15 days of receipt of the FSEC request, of an actual program and/or its documentation. System program documentation shall be provided to the extent that it can be implemented by other users and should contain as a minimum the following:

- (1) A narrative;
- (2) User instructions which should include program interface requirements, system resource requirements, identity of the computer on which the software is operational, program language, the name, number and release of the system under which the software is operating, applicable data communications interface requirements and applicable error message descriptions; with recommended corrective actions;
- (3) A broad logic flowchart to indicate the ease of removal or addition of program modules;
- (4) Sample inputs and outputs; and

(5) Program listing of the source and object coding as well as available cross-reference listings generated by the applicable assembler or compiler.

(f) Notify FSEC of technical problems with software submitted to or obtained from FSEC within 15 days of detection of the problem.

Note: The submitting agency will not be responsible to another agency for the maintenance of software submitted to FSEC that has been implemented in another agency. The reports required by this FPMR have been cleared in accordance with FPMR 101-11.11 and are exempt from reports control.

§ 101-32.1608 Arrangements and guidelines for use of the Software Exchange Program.

(a) Agencies having requirements for software that they plan to acquire from commercial sources shall screen existing Federal ADP software resources by reviewing the Federal Software Exchange Catalog or by obtaining assistance from FSEC to meet its software requirements.

(b) Programs or systems listed in the Federal Software Exchange Catalog are available through FSEC which will contact the contributing agency for the requested documentation and/or programs. The contributing agency shall send the documentation and a copy of the program on either tape or cards to FSEC only once per program.

(c) FSEC will make a copy of both the documentation and the program to be kept on file for future requests. FSEC will provide the software package to the requesting agency at the published price.

§ 101-32.1609 Effect on the software procurement process.

(a) When an agency is unsuccessful in obtaining the required software from those available through FSEC, the usual procedures for the procurement of software; i.e., submitting GSA Form 2068, Request for ADP Services, or submitting

an Agency Procurement Request (APR), will be followed. In these instances, the provisions of § 101-32.203-2 apply to the development of custom software services, and the provisions of § 101-32.104 apply to proprietary software packages.

(b) The agency shall include a certification statement on GSA Form 2068 or on the APR that FSEC was screened unsuccessfully on a specified date. A delegation of procurement authority will not be granted if such certification is not provided.

§ 101-32.1610 Form availability.

Supplies of Standard Form 101 may be obtained by submitting a requisition in FEDSTRIP/MILSTRIP format to the GSA regional office providing support to the requesting activity.

§ 101-32.1611 Federal Software Exchange Catalog availability.

The Federal Software Exchange Catalog of common-use programs and systems may be obtained from the National Technical Information Service, Springfield, VA 22151. Revisions to the catalog will be published quarterly.

§ 101-32.1612 Software Exchange Program review.

GSA will review FSEC after it has been operational for a period of 6 months, and at least annually thereafter, to determine the efficiency of operations, effectiveness of mission, and significance of software cost avoidance realized.

§ 101-32.1613 Assistance by GSA.

Assistance in any phase of the Software Exchange Program covered by this subpart may be obtained by contacting the General Services Administration (GSA), Washington, DC 20405, or the appropriate regional Agency Services Coordination Division.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Management Staff, ODP

FROM:

Executive Officer, OL

SUBJECT: Federal Software Exchange Program

REFERENCE: Mtple Adrse Memo dtd 23 Mar 78 fr C/MS/ODP,
same subject (ODP 8-0493; OL 8 1270)

1. Referent memorandum details ODP procedures for participation in subject program. Security review of software identified for possible release to General Services Administration (GSA) is not mentioned (nor is review of contractor-furnished software for proprietary information). It is requested that any Office of Logistics (OL) programs proposed for inclusion in the Federal Software Exchange Catalog be identified to OL prior to forwarding Standard Form (SF) 185 to GSA.

2. If ODP intends to establish procedures for security or proprietary rights review of software being identified to GSA, OL would appreciate being advised.

3. OL has developed and is developing, through its ODP-staffed Systems Analysis Branch, a number of special application, stand-alone systems. Some of these systems will be unclassified and may be releasable to GSA. Please advise if you wish OL to prepare SF 185's on these systems.

cc: OS/ISSG
DDA/MAS

OL 8 1335

ODP 8-01264

18 Feb 1978

DD/A Registry

File ODP 8-01264

Mr. Frank J. Carr, Commissioner
Automated Data and Telecommunications Service
General Services Administration
Washington, D. C. 20405

Dear Mr. Carr:

I received your 30 December 1977 letter enlisting higher level support to stimulate participation in the Federal Software Exchange Program, a program to promote the sharing of computer programs and documentation among governmental agencies. We see possible benefits from CIA participation, and have prepared a plan for phased submission of abstracts of those computer programs that are considered to be of common use. The initial submission should arrive within two months.

I have designated an Agency representative for liaison with GSA on matters pertaining to the Software Exchange Program. He is:

[Redacted]
Chief, Management Staff
Office of Data Processing
Room: 2D0105
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C. 20505
Telephone: [Redacted]

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

/s/ Michael J. Malanick

Michael J. Malanick
Acting Deputy Director
for Administration

ORIGINATOR:

[Redacted]
Clifford D. May, Jr., D/ODP

2/17/78
Date

17 FEB 1978

ODP 78-261

(Orig in DDA)

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director for Administration

FROM : Clifford D. May, Jr.
Director of Data Processing

SUBJECT : Federal Software Exchange Program

REFERENCE : Letter fm Mr. Frank J. Carr, Commissioner,
GSA, dtd 30 Dec. 1977 (DD/A 78-0040)

1. Action Requested: The last paragraph is a recommendation that you sign the attached letter to Mr. Frank J. Carr, Commissioner, General Services Administration (GSA) in response to referenced letter.

2. Background: GSA created a Federal Software Exchange Program (FSEP) in 1976 to promote the sharing of computer programs and documentation. This was within their mission under the Brooks Act (Public Law 89-306) to provide effective and efficient utilization of ADP resources. Mr. Carr pointed out in his referenced letter to you that contributions by government agencies have been minimal, and he solicited your support in stimulating participation in the program. ODP has publicized the FSEP in the Agency through Directorate and Office ADP Control Officers and encouraged all Agency components to submit unclassified programs to the FSEP. However, I do not know whether any programs have been submitted because we have not attempted to track Agency contributions to FSEP.

At the present time there is no formal mechanism such as the FSEP within the Intelligence Community. However, with increasing emphasis on Community approaches to ADP, such as CAMS and DIA/CIA SAFE, and with the establishment of a Community Information Systems Office in the Intelligence Community Staff, I believe it is only a matter of time before such a program is initiated.

3. Staff Position: I believe the Agency should participate more actively in the GSA Federal Software Exchange Program. To this end, I plan to submit abstracts of current ODP computer programs to the Federal Software Exchange Center (FSEC) on a phased basis in small increments. After this initial submission, software code and documentation will be forwarded as completed. To minimize the impact of this additional workload on ODP personnel, I will have abstracts prepared by one ODP division at a time. The Chief of my Management Staff, [redacted] will monitor this activity in his role as Agency representative for liaison with GSA on matters relating to the FSEP. After all ODP divisions have contributed, I will solicit your aid to extend the program throughout the Agency. Benefits to be derived from these activities include the identification of Agency computer programs that have potential common use by components of the Agency as well as by members of the Intelligence Community.

4. Recommended Action: I recommend you sign the attached letter to Commissioner Carr indicating that the Agency intends to participate more actively in the Federal Software Exchange Program. [redacted]

Clifford D. May, Jr.

Att: a/s

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Mr. Michael J. Malanick
Acting Deputy Director for Administration
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, DC 20505

Dear Mr. Malanick:

In keeping with General Services Administration's (GSA) mission under the Brooks Act (Public Law 89-306) to provide for the most efficient and effective utilization of ADP resources, GSA amended Federal Property Management Regulation (FPMR) 101-32 in February 1976, to create the Federal Software Exchange Program. This program promotes the sharing of computer programs and documentation, thereby avoiding the wasteful replication of software development.

Agencies are required to submit abstracts of computer programs to the Federal Software Exchange Center (FSEC) on a continuing basis. To date the FSEC has received approximately 450 abstracts, a very small percentage of the Federally developed software that is potentially transferable. Agencies are also required to make a one-time contribution of the software code and documentation within 15 days of a request from the FSEC. Unfortunately, in certain cases, agency operational units have resisted this requirement.

At our request, many agencies have designated a representative to provide continuing liaison with GSA for the purpose of implementing and maintaining a useful software inventory. However, we would now like to enlist higher level support and authoritative coordination to attain the potential savings for individual agency activities and the Federal Government.

We would appreciate your support in stimulating participation in this program throughout your agency. A copy of the FPMR containing the policy and procedures governing the Software Exchange Program is enclosed for your information. Should you require any further information, please contact Helen McEwan, Program Director, on 566-1120.

Sincerely,

Frank J. Carr

FRANK J. CARR
Commissioner

Enclosure

OL 8 0053

February 12, 1976

FEDERAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS
AMENDMENT E- 180

TO : Heads of Federal agencies

SUBJECT: Change to Subchapter E - Supply and Procurement

1. Purpose. This amendment transmits changed pages to Subchapter E - Supply and Procurement.

2. Effective date. The revision transmitted by this amendment is effective upon publication in the Federal Register.

3. Background.

a. The cost to design and develop computer programs and software systems constitutes a significant portion of the Government's total ADP budget. Federal agencies are devoting consistently increasing shares of their ADP budgets to systems development and programming.

b. Because much Government-developed software has common applicability among agencies and agencies are not generally aware of the existence of this software, a need has been identified for a central reference index of common-use software programs. To avoid unnecessary duplication, a system for exchanging information and promoting sharing has been developed.

c. The Department of Commerce has announced a Federal standard, Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 30 (FIPS PUB 30), Software Summary for Describing Computer Programs and Automated Data Systems. Standard Form 185, Federal Information Processing Standard Software Summary, shall be used to report summary descriptions of computer programs in accordance with procedures established by the General Services Administration (GSA) for the operation of the Federal Software Exchange Program.

d. To make available previously developed software, GSA is establishing a Federal Software Exchange Program utilizing existing Government resources.

4. Explanation of changes. Part 101-32 is amended by adding new Subpart 101-32.16 to establish a Federal Software Exchange Program. This program will require the reporting of common-use

(Published in the Federal Register February 25, 1976, 41 F.R. 8169)

Attachment

OL 6-2303

5. Availability of Standard Form 185. Supplies of Standard Form 185 may be obtained by submitting a requisition in FEDSTRIP/MILSTRIP format to the GSA regional office providing support to the requesting activity.

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Administrator of General Services

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